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February 2, 2006 (Agenda)

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Status Report on Preparations for Public Meeting Regarding the Eastern Goleta Valley

Dear Members of the Commission:

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Commission receive an oral report from the ad hoc committee and provide direction regarding preparations for a public meeting regarding the Eastern Goleta Valley.

DISCUSSION

An ad hoc committee of Commissioners Campbell, Orach and Rose was appointed to refine the Commission's plans for a meeting to accept public testimony regarding governmental options and spheres of influence for the Eastern Goleta Valley.

Members of the committee met with staff on January 5 to discuss the planned public meeting. Topics included the best location to provide sufficient space for the anticipated large attendance. Using the auditorium at San Marcus High School is the preferred possibility.

Dates discussed for the meeting coincide with regular Commission meetings, but rather than start the Commission meeting at 2:00, it would not convene until perhaps 5:00 or 5:30. Possible dates are March 2, April 6 or May 4.

Members of the ad hoc committee feel it is important to provide as much time as possible for testimony from the public, but still be able to understand the positions of various public agencies such as the Cities of Goleta and Santa Barbara and the University. A preliminary agenda for the meeting is enclosed.

Commissioners: Tim Campbell, Chair ♦ Joe Centeno ♦ Dick DeWees ♦ John Fox ♦ Bob Orach ♦ Susan Rose ♦ Bernice Stableford

♦ Jack Hawxhurst ♦ Brooks Firestone ♦ Penny Leich ♦ Cathy Schlottmann ♦ **Executive Officer:** Bob Braitman

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Consideration was given to the possibility of having interested local agencies provide brief written statements, which the staff would compile and distribute at the meeting. This would not preclude representatives of public agencies from also giving public testimony at the meeting.

The staff will have a series of display maps prepared for the meeting illustrating local government boundaries, mobile home parks, agricultural areas, public facilities and other important features.

The Board of Supervisors has approved going forward with an update to the County's land use plan for the Eastern Goleta Valley, and the "visioning process" for that effort will also be proceeding in the next several weeks.

Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

BOB BRAITMAN
Executive Officer

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AGENDA

Date and Location

TIME

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance
3. Public Comment Period - This is an opportunity for members of the public to speak on items that are not on the agenda.
4. Governmental Options for the Eastern Goleta Valley
 - A. Introduction – Executive Officer Bob Braitman
 - Description of Eastern Goleta Valley
 - Meaning and significance of Spheres of Influence
 - Financial and other effects of being annexed to a city
 - B. Comments by Members of the Public
 - C. Comments or responses by LAFCO Commissioners
 - D. Commission direction to LAFCO staff
5. Adjournment